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CHAPTER 9: YATAGARASU

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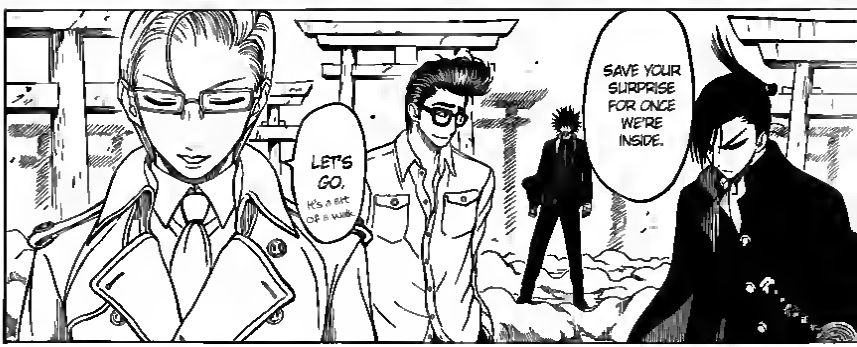

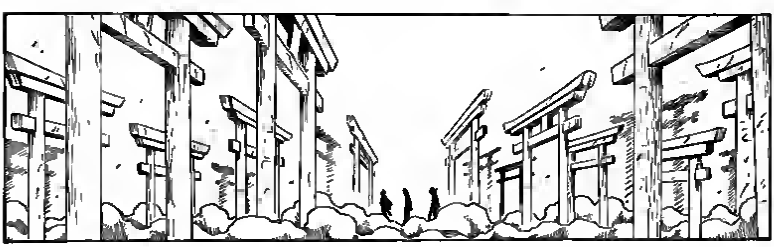

YAMATO GAZES UPWARDS

HOW MUCH DID MASTER KIKUCHI TELL YOU?
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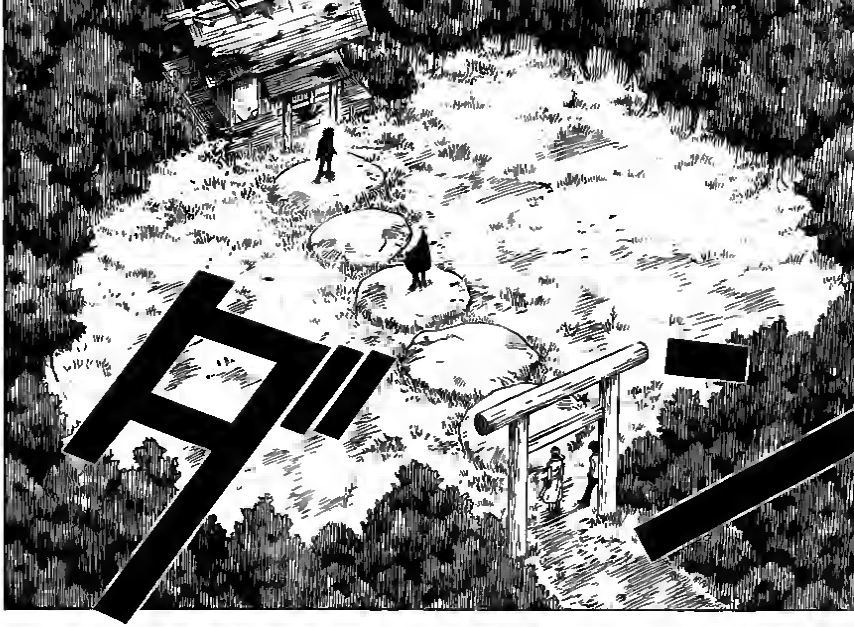
SFX. CLOP / CLOP
HE'S WEARING CLOGS...
THIS IS OUR FIRST TIME HEADING TO TAKAMAGAHARA, TOO, BUT...
THEY SAY IT'S EASY TO GET IN, BUT INSIDE, IT'S LIKE HELL. IT'S ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO MAKE IT BACK HOME SAFE
SERIO-USLY?
No one told me anything!
SO YOU ARE A NICE GUY, IZUMO-KUN.
Even though you wear glasses
YEAH.
UNLIKE HIM.
I'll kick his ass someday
THERE'S SOMETHING YOU HAVE TO GO BACK HOME TO, RIGHT?
THE TWO OF US ARE DEFINITELY MAKING IT BACK TOGETHER!

WE'RE NOT GOING ALL THE WAY TO TAKAMAGAHARA?
?
THAT SHOULD DO.
THIS TORII CONNECTS TO THE SHIKISHI SHRINE.
SFX: "KNOCK"
SFX: "SWIPE"
THAT IS TAKAMAGAHARA'S ENTRANCE EXAM. THESE TWO ALREADY HAVE THEIR STUDENT IDS.
IF YOU WANT IT, YOU MUST SCORE A POINT IN A FIGHT WITH EITHER KUMASO OR IZUMO.
THEN GIVE IT HERE.
NOPE
YOU NEED THIS SPECIAL TAKAMAGAHARA STUDENT ID TO ENTER.
IF WE WENT NOW, THEY'D TURN YOU BACK AT THE GATES.
HUH? WHAT THE HELL?!!
DON'T TELL ME YOU THOUGHT EVERYTHING WOULD BE HANDED TO YOU ON A SILVER PLATTER.
THE WORLD ISN'T THAT EASY.
YAMADA YAMATO!
THEN FIGHT,
DO YOU NOT HAVE A REASON TO TRAIN YOUR DIVINE GIFT AT TAKAMAGAHARA?
THAT IS THE RULE OF TAKAMAGAHARA!
YOU MUST WIN EVERYTHING IN BATTLE!

SO, WHOM WILL YOU FIGHT?
TO BE FAIR, LET ME TELL YOU THIS:
BOTH OF THEM ARE DIRECT ATTACK TYPES, SAME AS YOU... THEY ARE IDEAL HUNTERS.
SHIT ...!
IZUMO WOULD NOT PROVE MUCH OF A CHALLENGE.
THEN I'LL—
YEAH!
Mel Mel
HE PRACTICALLY RADIATES DANGER..
CLOGS, A TOPKNOT, AND A JAPANESE BLADE.
SFX: "STEP"
SFX: "FVOOM"
.....!
THEN YOU MUST SCORE ONE POINT ON KUMASO.
YOU MAY FIGHT HIM HOWEVER YOU WISH.
I WILL FIGHT YOU.
TOO BAD, CAW! BETTER SAY YER PRAYERS!
SFX: "STUNNED"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HOW SHOULD I FIGHT HIM?
A STARING CONTEST?
OR A MANGA DESIGN CONTEST?

I SHALL DEFEAT YOU WHILE REMAINING ON TOP OF THIS ROCK.
IF YOU CAN GET ME OFF OF THIS ROCK, I WILL ACCEPT MY DEFEAT.
SFX: BAM
OF COURSE, IF I CUT YOU, YOU LOSE.
Hey, isn't that a little deadly?
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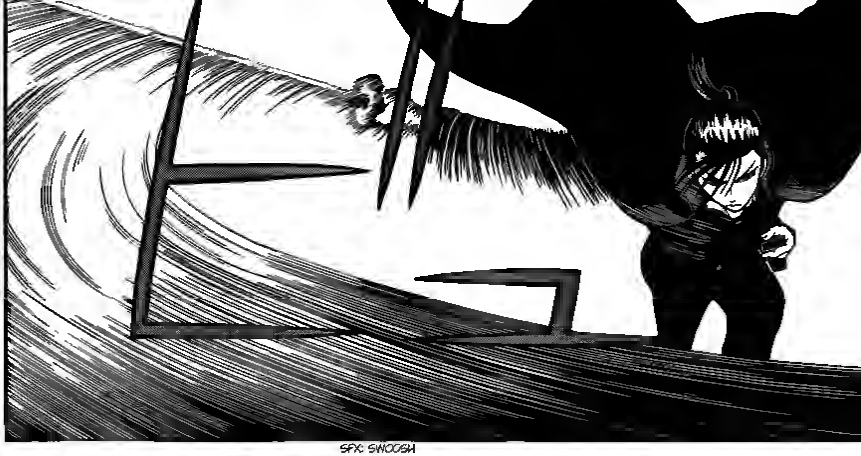
HE'S FIGHTING WITH A KATANA. HOW DOES HE THINK HE CAN HIT ME FROM A DISTANCE?
!
ALL I HAVE TO DO IS DODGE HIS FIRST STRIKE, GET IN CLOSE, AND KNOCK HIM DOWN!

CAAWWW! CAWCAW-CAAWWW!
IT'S FINE IF WE JUST STRAIGHT-UP CUT HIM, BUT—
RELAX, KOKUHAKU.
SFX. "CLICK"
RELAX, AND SOON
WE WILL STRIKE HIM DOWN!
SFX. "VIBRATE"
THE BACK OF THE BLADE
IS TURNING FROM BLACK TO WHITE.
SFX. SCHWING
PLOP
SFX. RUMBLE RUMBLE RUMBLE
!?
SHADOWS ARE CRAWLING UP THE BLADE?!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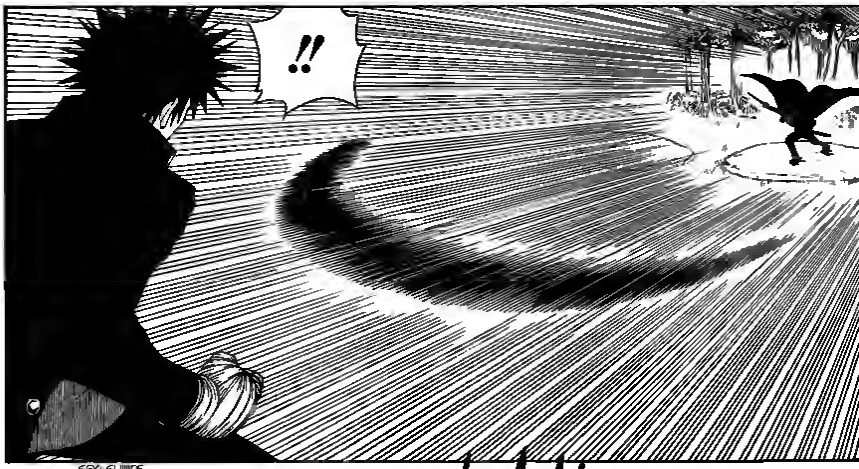
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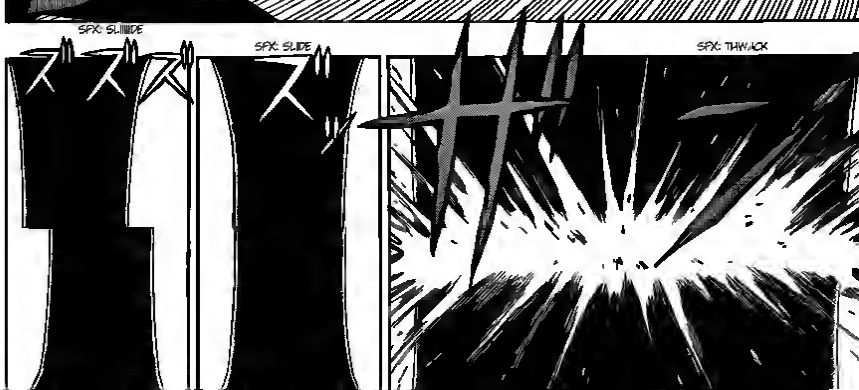
SFX: SLIIIIDE


SFX: SLIDE
SFX: THWACK

HE CUT THE TREE IN TWO LIKE A PIECE OF TOFU?!
HE CUT...
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SFX. KABOOM
HE HAD ALREADY HUNTED TWELVE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAD BEEN SWALLOWED BY THEIR FATES
BEFORE KUMASO BEGAN WORKING FOR ME,
I WON-DER
CAN ACTUALLY BEAT KUMASO?
YA THINK YAMATO-CHAN
SFX. FLAP
THAT INHUMAN VISAGE CAUSED HIM TO BE KNOWN AS
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SFX. CHING
AND A SWORD IN HIS HAND, HE HUNTED THE MYRIAD GODS.
WITH A BILLOWING CLOAK ON HIS BACK

YATAGA-
RASU. THE
THREE-
LEGGED
CROW.

SFX: ZOOM
SFX: WHOOSH
SFX: THWACK
SHIT!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU, BACAW?
WHAT THE HELL'S YOUR DIVINE GIFT?!!

WHAT SORT OF IDIOT REVEALS HIS ABILITIES TO HIS ENEMY, CAW?!
HE MIGHT AS WELL GET IT OVER WITH AND JUST ASK HIS OPPONENT TO KILL HIM!
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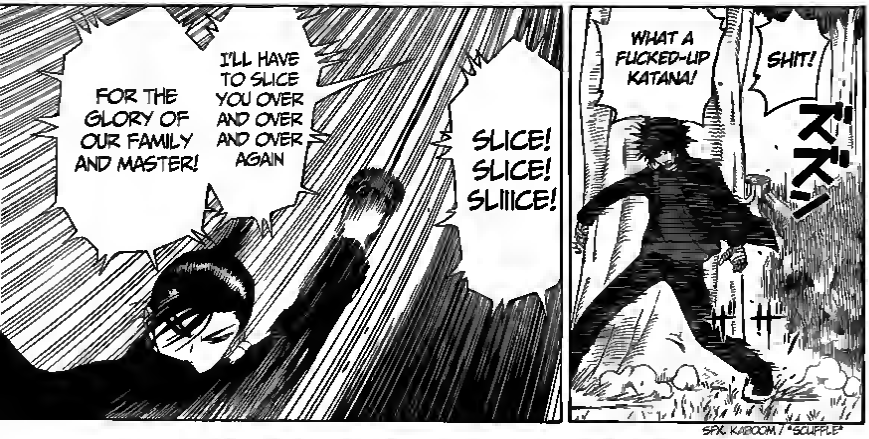
SFX: KADOOM / KADOOM


FOR THE GLORY OF OUR FAMILY AND MASTER!
I'LL HAVE TO SLICE YOU OVER AND OVER AND OVER AGAIN
SLICE! SLICE! SLIIICE!
WHAT A FUCKED-UP KATANA!
SHIT!
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SFX: KAROOM / *SCUPPLE*

FATE?
DEMON BLADE?
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE ANOTHER GUY WHO'S BEEN SWALLOWED BY HIS FATE?
THAT LOOKS LIKE A DEMONIC BLADE!
SILENCE.
YOU ARE TELLING HIM TOO MUCH.

CAW!
I AM SIMPLY MAKING IT TALK USING VENTRILO-QUISM.
I HATE DEALING WITH GUYS LIKE HIM!
DAMMIT!

FIGHT NOT WITH YOUR FISTS, BUT WITH YOUR HEAD.
HUH?
WHAT THE HELL IS HIS GIFT?
I DON'T UNDERSTAND A THING ABOUT THE MAN OR HIS DIVINE GIFT.
SFX: THWACK
WHAM!

SIGH
MAYBE IT'LL BE A USEFUL TOOL WHEN WORKING WITH MANGA, TOO.
WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?
ENOUGH ABOUT FIGHTING; TELL ME HOW TO DRAW MANGA!
FIRST, GATHER ALL THE INFORMATION YOU CAN ABOUT YOUR ENEMY.
FROM THERE, FIGURE OUT A WAY TO DEFEAT YOUR ENEMY AND DO SO
IT'S AN ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT TECHNIQUE WHEN FIGHTING AGAINST ENEMIES YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND WELL!
EAG. SHINANO
IT'S EARLY MORNING...
AND IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE IT'S ABOUT TO BECOME CLOUDY...
HE'S CUTTING WITH SOME FLYING SHADOW-LIKE THING.
AT ANY RATE, I KNOW THAT
HE'S AT IT AGAIN...
IT'S NOT LIKE ANYTHING I'M SAYING WILL ACTUALLY HELP HIM, CAW!
SHUT UP, KOKUHAKU! YOU'RE TELLING HIM TOO MUCH
EVEN IF THE SUN GOES DOWN, I'M STILL NOT POWERLESS!
THAT'S CAWING PRICELESS!
CAW! CAW-CAW!
DON'T TELL ME YOU THOUGHT YOU MIGHT WIN ONCE THE SUN GOES DOWN, CAW!

ALRIGHT!
IS HE USING THE VENTRILOQUISM TRICK TO TRY TO DRAW MY ATTENTION AWAY FROM THAT?
HE HAS TO RECHARGE HIS SHADOW AFTER EVERY STRIKE...
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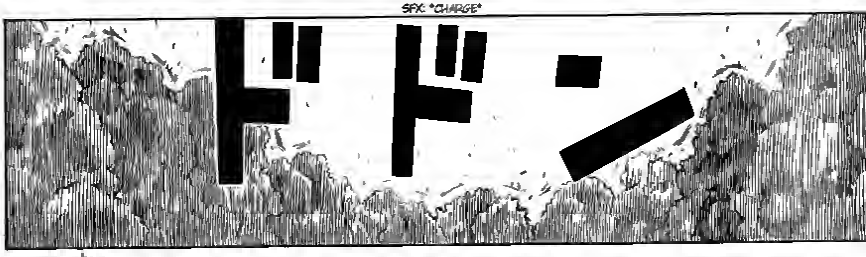
SFX: "RUMBLE"


SFX: "CHARGE"
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A TREE?!
SFX: "SLICE"
SFX: THWACK
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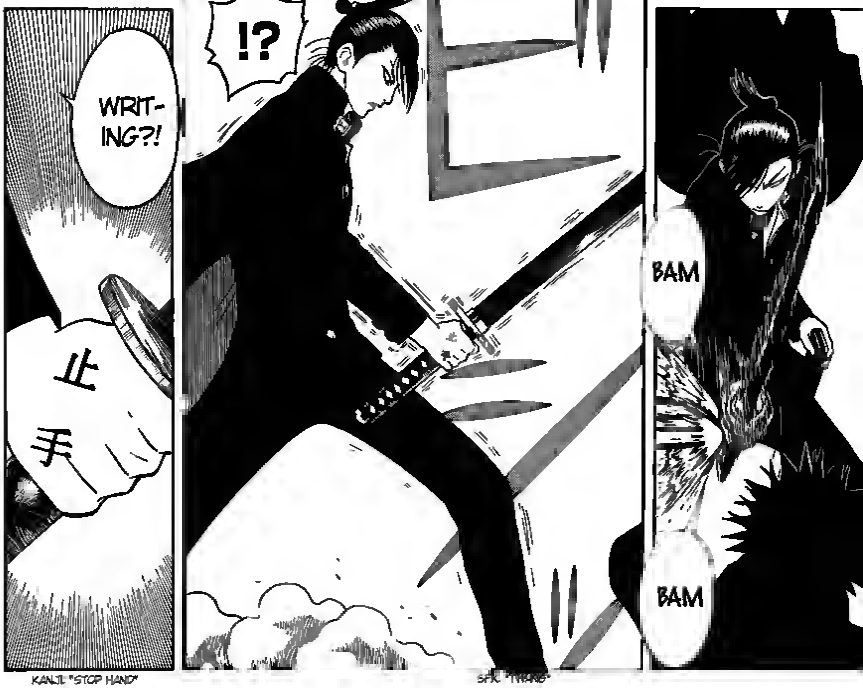
I'LL KNOCK THE TREE AWAY WITH A LEFT-HANDED PUNCH!
I NEED TO CLOSE THE DISTANCE BEFORE HE CAN RE-CHARGE THE SHADOW!
GIVE UP, BACAW!
EVEN WITHOUT A SHADOW, I'M STILL A KATANA! I'LL CUT YOU UP GOOD!
SFX: ROAR
SFX: SLAM
THEN I'LL SLAM IT WITH MY RIGHT!



KANJI: "STOP HAND"

SFX: "THUNK"

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FINALLY, TO TAKAMAGAHARA!!
WELL FOUGHT
GUESS HE EARNED HIS POINT!
HE COULDN'T MOVE US, BUT HE STILL MADE IT SO WE'RE NOT ON TOP OF THE STONE!
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CAAWWW CAW CAW!
SFX. CATCH
大原神流生存手拳
YAMADA YAMATO.
YOU'VE WON.
TAKAMAGAHARA
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